



CPEC

Draft Minutes, Meeting of February 11, 2009

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

John P. Perez, Chair
H. Eric Schockman,
Vice Chair
George T. Caplan
Lawrence T. Geraty
Melinda Guzman
David P. Lopez
Hugo Morales
George W. Nickel
Ralph R. Pesqueira
Carolyn Russell
Olivia K. Singh
Howard Welinsky

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Bruce D. Varner

Call to Order

Executive secretary Anna Gomez called the roll at 10:06 a.m. Commissioners present: Perez, Schockman (telephone), Caplan (telephone), Geraty (telephone), Lopez (telephone), Morales (telephone), Nickel (telephone), Pesqueira (telephone), Welinsky, Russell, Singh. Commission Chair John Perez called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Executive Session

Chair Perez called the Commission into executive session at 10:07 a.m.

Chair Perez reconvened the public meeting at 10:19 a.m. Commissioner Guzman joined the meeting by telephone at 10:20 a.m. Chair Perez reported that the Commission is appointing CPEC staff member and ITQ grant administrator Karen Humphrey as executive director, replacing Murray J. Haberman who retired in December. The appointment begins March 1, 2009. The annual salary is \$140,000.

Legislative Update

Legislative director Julia Blair presented the staff draft of *Legislative Update* with recommended positions on bills introduced in the 2009–10 legislative session. Governmental Relations Committee Chair Howard Welinsky called for unanimous consent on bills with a staff-recommended Watch position in this report.

SB 48 – Commissioner Schockman moved, Commissioner Russell seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 48 – Watch position adopted by unanimous consent.

AB 24 – Watch position adopted by unanimous consent.

AB 78 – Commissioner Geraty moved, Commissioner Russell seconded, to adopt a position of support.

Commissioner Lopez asked whether the K-12 system or the community colleges would receive funding for concurrent enrollment. Commission budget director Kevin Woolfork said the community colleges would likely receive funding except where there are other arrangements. Ms. Blair said the Commission should expect further discussion on this bill.

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Caplan left the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

AB 38 – Commission Chair Perez moved, Commissioner Singh seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 69 – Watch position adopted by unanimous consent.

SB 15 – Commission Chair Perez moved, Commissioner Schockman seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 35 – Commissioner Russell moved, Commissioner Schockman seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 148 – Watch position adopted by unanimous consent.

SB 19 – Watch position adopted by unanimous consent.

AB 218 – Ms. Blair reported that the staff-recommended position was changed from Watch to Support after working with Assemblymember Portantino to involve CPEC in the proposed higher education accountability framework. The bill is similar to SB 325, introduced in the last session.

Commissioner Schockman moved, Commissioner Singh seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 220 – Commissioner Perez moved, Commissioner Singh seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

AB 224 – Commissioner Russell moved, Commissioner Perez seconded, to adopt a position of support.

Ms. Blair said the current method of streaming CPEC meetings over the Internet meets the requirements of this bill. Commissioner Welinsky asked Ms. Blair whether the requirement of listing the locations where Commissioners participate in teleconference meetings could be eliminated. Ms. Blair said she expects further discussions on the issue.

The motion carried unanimously.

SCA 1 – Commissioner Perez asked how past legislation would affect proposed amendments to the two-thirds vote requirement, and voter approval of other budget proposals. Mr. Woolfork explained that if SCA 1 passes, it would require voter approval.

SB 123 – Commission Chair Perez moved, Commissioner Singh seconded, to adopt a position of support. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Singh moved, Commission Chair Perez seconded, to adopt the *Legislative Update* report with revisions to reflect the positions adopted at the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Recommendations

Staff member Kevin Woolfork presented the report, *Budget Perspectives and Proposed Commission Recommendations*. He noted that many of the policy recommendation in the report are not consistent

with prior Commission positions. However, in recognition of the state's budget crisis, staff recommend that the Commission endorse budget proposals that it would not ordinarily support.

Commission Chair Singh moved, Commissioner Singh seconded, to adopt the report. The motion carried. Commissioner Russell abstained.

Other Business

Commissioner Welinsky suggested that Commission Chair Perez and incoming Director Humphrey to send a delegation of commissioners and staff to meet with new members of the Assembly Higher Education Committee and Senate Education Committee.

Adjournment

Commissioner Singh moved, Commissioner Welinsky seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.